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For: INVERTER DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE DEVICE THEREOF, AND ELECTRIC AUTOMOBILE INCORPORATING THE INVERTER DEVICE THEREOF

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 21, 2006, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, claims 1-3, and 6-8, for prosecution in the subject application. Applicants wish to advise the Examiner that claim 8 is also pending.

Applicant, of course, reserves the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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